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1. HUNGARIAN PRESS AGENCY MTI ANNOUNCED ARRIVAL SUNDAY IN
BUDAPEST OF PARTY DELEGATIONS OF THE SOCIALIST COUNTRIES
ATTENDING THE MEETING OF CENTRAL COMMITTEE SECRETARIES IN
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CHARGE OF IDEOLOGICAL AND INTERNATIONAL ISSUES. AT AIRPORT
GUESTS WERE RECEIVED BY MIKLOS OVARI, MEMBER OF THE POLITICAL
COMMITTEE AND SECRETARY OF HUNGARIAN SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY,
ANDRAS GYENES AND IMRE GYORI, SECRETARIES OF THE HSWP, WHO
WILL BE PRINCIPAL HOSTS AT MEETING.

2. THE FOLLOWING ARE ATTENDING:

BULGARIA:

ALEXANDER LILOV, MEMBER OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND SECRETARY
OF BULGARIAN COMMUNIST PARTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE (CC)
DIMITER STANISHEV, SECRETARY OF BULGARIAN PARTY'S CC CZECHOSLOVAKIA:
VASIL BILAK, MEMBER OF CC PRESIDUM AND SECRETARY OF CZECH
COMMUNIST PARTY CC
JAN FOJTIK AND JOSEF HAVLIN - SECRETARIES OF CZECH PARTY'S CC

CUBA:

RAUL GARCIA PELAEZ, MEMBER OF CC SECRETARIAT OF CUBAN COMMUNIST
PARTY

POLAND:

JERZY LUKASZEWICS, ALTERNATE MEMBER OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE
AND SECRETARY OF CC OF POLISH UNITED WORKERS' PARTY
RYSZARD FRELEK, SECRETARY OF POLISH PARTY'S CC

MONGOLIA:

SANDAGYN SOSORBARAM, SECRETARY OF CC OF MONGOLIAN PEOPLE'S
REVOLUTIONARY PARTY

GDR:

KURT HAGER, HERMAN AXEN, WERNER LAMBERZ - MEMBERS OF POLITICAL
COMMITTEE AND SECRETARIES OF CC OF GERMAN SOCIALIST UNITY PARTY

ROMANIA:

DUMITRU POPESCU, MEMBER OF POLITICAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
AND SECRETARY OF CC OF ROMANIAN COMMUNIST PARTY
SETFAN ANDREI, ALTERNATE MEMBER OF POLITICAL EXECUTIVE
COMMITTEE AND SECRETARY OF CC OF ROMANIAN PARTY.
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SOVIET UNION:

BORIS PONOMAREV, ALTERNATE MEMBER OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE AND
SECRETARY OF CC OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE SOVIET UNION
MIHAIL ZIMYANIA AND KONSTANTINX RUSAKOV - SECRETAIRES OF CPSU CC

VIETNAM:

NGU-YEN VINH, MEMBER OF CC OF VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST
PARTY AND VICE CHAIRMAN OF CC'S AGITATION AND PROPAGANDA DEPARTMENT

3. COMMENT: THIS MEETING APPEARS TO BE A FOLLOW-UP TO
EARLIER MEETINGS HELD IN MARCH 1976, IN BUDAPEST AND IN
MARCH 1977, IN SOFIA WHICH WERE DEVOTED TO IDEOLOGICAL
QUESTIONS. ATTENDANCE IS VIRTUALLY THE SAME THIS YEAR
AS LAST, A NOTABLE EXCEPTION BEING IN CASE OF CPSU,
RUSAKOV TAKING PLACE OF KONSTANTIN KATUSHEV. THIS YEAR THE
VIETNAMESE COMMUNIST PARTY SENT A DELEGATE FOR THE FIRST TIME.

4. THE TOPIC OF MEETING WILL BE THE IDEOLOGICAL
STRUGGLE AND PROPAGANDA ACTIVITIES INCLUDING THE
MEANS OF ACHIEVING UNITY AND SOLIDARITY OF INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNIST MOVEMENT. MORE SPECIFICALLY, WE EXPECT THAT THE
TOPIC OF RELATIONS WITH WEST EUROPEAN COMMUNIST PARTIES WILL
BE A KEY ONE ON AGENDA. YUGOSLAVS HERE THINK CP'S MAY BE

COORDINATING A POSITION TO TAKE WITH REGARD TO FORTHCOMING CONGRESS OF SPANISH COMMUNIST PARTY. DETENTE, HUMAN RIGHTS AND DISSENT ARE LIKELY ALSO TO COME TO THE FORE WITH ATTENDEES ALMOST CERTAINLY REVIEWING EXPERIENCE WITH DISSIDENTS IN PAST YEAR, MEANS OF REACTING TO WESTERN HUMAN RIGHTS DEMANDS, AND PROSPECTIVE SITUATION IN WAKE OF BELGRADE CONFERENCE.

5. THERE ARE RUMORS CIRCULATING IN BUDAPEST TO THE EFFECT THAT THE HUNGARIAN PARTY MAY BE IN FOR SOME CRITICISM ON ITS RELATIVELY LIBERAL INTERNAL POLICIES.
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